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## **Amendments to the Specification:**

## At the top of the first page, just under the title, insert

## - Cross Reference to Related Application

This application is a divisional application of Serial No. 09/844,247, filed April 30, 2001, which in turn is a continuation of PCT/NL99/00099 filed February 24, 1999, and which further claims benefit of priority to provisional application Serial No. 60/129,935, filed April 19, 1999, all of which are incorporated by reference herein.

## Please replace the paragraph at Page 4, line 33 with the following paragraph:

To ensure a good anti-ballistic effect, the tensile strength of the fibre is at least 26 cN/dtex and the modulus at least 700 cN/dtex. Preferably, the modulus is at least 880 cN/dtex, more preferably at least 1060 cN/dtex, and most preferably at least 1235 cN/dtex. The strength is preferably at least 31 cN/dtex, more preferably at least 33 cN/dtex, and most preferably at least 35 cN/dtex. Surprisingly, it has been found that at relatively low, but for the purpose of the invention effective, solvent concentrations, the creep of such a highly oriented fibre is only to a very low extent adversely affected by the solvent. Preferably, the fibre according to the invention has a tensile strength of at least 26 cN/dtex, a modulus of at least 700 cN/dtex, a solvent content of 0.05-2 wt. % and a creep of at most 20%, more preferably at most 15%/h 15%, even more preferably at most 10%/h 10% and most preferably at most 5%. Such a low creep is favourable in particular for use in ropes. When use is made of copolymer with more than 2 short side chains per 1000 carbon atoms, the creep can be reduced further. Preferably, the creep then is at most 10% and more preferably at most 5%.

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